

Welcome to the Gersh Academy Driver Education Program

Hello,

We at Gersh Driver Education would like your experience here to be both educational and enjoyable so that you become a smart, safe driver and pass your road test. Please be aware of the following important information.

ACCELERATED VIRTUAL Class Information: Please remember, ALL classes are VIRTUAL and LIVE, and the parents will supervise the in car instruction.

Please remember that this is an accelerated program and is for 3 weeks, M-F. All NYS Education and DMV guidelines still apply as stated below.

Students are expected to be in front of their computers on the day and time of their registered session. Please be prepared to participate and answer questions. There will be homework and additional assignments that will need to be completed to pass and receive the MV-285 Certificate of Completion. Students will need their own Gmail account (**NOT THEIR SCHOOL'S**) as we will be using Google Classroom or Zoom. The email address must have their name in it. For example: JohnSmith@gmail.com.

Certificate pick-ups are generally the week after the last class and dates will be made available as we get closer to the end of the program. **Certificates will ONLY be available for pickup at the Hauppauge office. (358 Hoffman Lane) Certificates will NOT be mailed. If a certificate is lost and needs to be replaced, it will take up to (2) weeks and there is a \$15.00 replacement fee.**

DO NOT MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO EITHER UPGRADE YOUR LICENSE OR SCHEDULE A ROAD TEST UNTIL AFTER THE CERTIFICATE PICKUP DATES. CERTIFICATES WILL NOT BE HANDED OUT BEFORE THEN

*****ONCE THE SESSION HAS STARTED, THERE WILL BE NO SWITCHING OF CLASSES*****

Driving:

In-Car driving instruction will be supervised by the Parents/Guardians. Attached is the Driving Checklist so you can start working with your child on the in-car instruction. Please note that this form needs to be completed to attest the number of hours needed per NYS Education and the NYS Department of Motor Vehicles. The total amount of hours needed to be logged is 24. (6 hours of driving & 18 hours of observation)

Facebook

We ask that you please join our Facebook page by clicking on the FB icon in top right-hand corner of the website.

Absences

Any missed classes will be worked out between the student and the teacher.

Sports

Please know that sports are not an excuse to miss class. They will be considered an absence.

Class Schedule

All classes are set and once the program starts, there will be NO switching of classes.

Lecture Makeups

Students will be responsible for letting the teacher know when they will not be in attendance and request assignments to make up for the day(s) missed. Students cannot just go into a different class. Additionally, please know, that in the event the teacher is unable to make a class, per NYSED, we are allowed to be asynchronous for that class. It is the student's responsibility to contact the teacher directly if a class is going to be missed. **DO NOT CONTACT THE OFFICE!!**

Steps to enter your virtual class. A personal computer must be used to log in. A school's computer will not work as there are blockers on it.

Google

- 1) Using your personal GMAIL account, head to the Google Classroom app.
- 2) Click the "+" sign in the upper righthand corner to join your class.
- 3) Enter the code for your class.
- 4) Stay tuned to your class stream for updates, material, and more from your lecture teacher.

Virtual Location, Time and Teacher

Huntington – 7:30pm – 9:00pm

Monday through Friday

January Week 1 (M/3, T/4, W/5, TH/6, F/7)

Week 2 (M/10, T/11, W/12, TH/13, F/14)

Week 3 (M/17, T/18, W/19, TH/20, F/21)

Week 4 (M/24)

Teacher: Mr. Schanars

Email: dschanars@gmail.com

Link: <https://meet.google.com/xiv-dwon-vcb>

Login Code: xn5xe5h